

Newsletter: Winter-Spring 2021

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Operations Q4 2020:

Community Awareness Building Activities

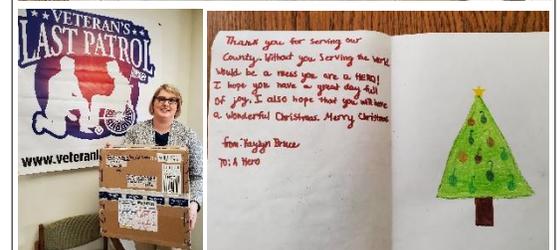
- Families are now receiving honor ceremony e-booklets with pictures, giving them a nice, documented memory of their loved ones.
- Our **2nd ANNUAL OPERATION HOLIDAY SALUTE** was a great success! We received over 30,000 holiday cards for veterans in end-of-life care. Families, children, schools, clubs, police, and municipal departments all joined us to bring that special cheer.
- Our Social Media activity is constantly growing. Please follow us for our stories, motivation, and hospice information.

Volunteers Status

- We continue to grow our indispensable volunteer team. Wherever you are located we need you. There are veterans in hospice care across the country. Please contact us.
- If you know a potential volunteer that would like to visit a veteran in hospice, please refer them to us. We currently have volunteers in 18 states.
- Cooperating with other veteran service organizations is essential to our outreach. Veterans are all part of the same team: **NO VETERAN SHOULD DIE ALONE.**



Our volunteers honor veterans in hospice with recognition and ceremonies. We all love the "final salute."



2nd Annual Operation Holiday Salute

We received over 30,000 beautiful, personalized holiday cards, many handmade by children. Thank you very much to everyone who helped make this possible.

Please take a moment to remember...

The veterans that completed their Last Patrol since our last Newsletter & now reside at Post Everlasting.



The son of a veteran who recently passed away wrote this to us:

“In the days after your beautiful ceremony, my father spoke at length about his military service and how proud he was of it. I learned so much about him I didn’t know. We are so grateful to all the volunteers.”

Honor Ceremony

Last Patrol volunteers conducted an honor ceremony for Army Veteran, Bill Henderson. Bill served in Germany shortly after WWII.

Highlighted Stories



Operation Holiday Salute

Our goal was 10,000 personalized cards for veterans in hospice. We blew the top of that goal, receiving over 30,000 cards & small gifts from patriotic Americans all over the country, and even some from military bases and schools overseas. We are so grateful to all who supported us with this mission.



HONOR CEREMONY

LAST PATROL volunteers regularly conduct honor ceremonies. Here volunteers conducted a ceremony for Mr. Nathan Crosby, a Cold War veteran of the US Army in hospice care with Pruitt Health. He received a Certificate of Appreciation and a Congressional Letter thanking him for his service to our country. Seth, a therapy dog, and his handlers also honored Nathan. Nathan received final salutes from all those veterans in attendance.



“Operation Holiday Salute-Christmas Parade”

Our Christmas Parades bringing holiday cheer were a great success! The parades visited 17 nursing homes and dropped off cards & gifts to 100s of veterans. Classic cars, hotrods, motorcycles, concerned citizens -- all participated in helping us remind those most isolated during these difficult times that they're not forgotten and that Americans are grateful for their service.